

Missouri Secretary of State Robin Carnahan



2006 Elections Legislative Proposals

ELECTION PROTECTION ACT

- •Increases the maximum penalty from five to 15 years imprisonment for those who commit voter fraud by misrepresenting themselves at the polls
- •Increases oversight of voter registration collectors
- Provides online training for voter registration collectors
- •Increases the maximum penalty from seven to 15 years imprisonment for those who misrepresent themselves on a voter registration application
- •Increases the maximum penalty from five to 15 years imprisonment for persons who commit absentee voter fraud

INITIATIVE PETITION INTEGRITY ACT

•Increases penalties for people who forge names on petitions from class A misdemeanor to class D felony

ELECTION WORKER INCENTIVE ACT

• Establishes a tax credit for those who serve as poll workers

ADVANCE MISSOURI 2006: THE CONFIDENCE, CONVENIENCE AND PRIVACY VOTING ACT

- Makes it easier for Missouri voters to vote, while making it harder to cheat
- Allows Missourians to vote in person prior to Election Day without an excuse
- Provides one central location for advance voting in all areas and additional "satellite" voting locations in larger jurisdictions. Voters could vote at the satellite location for a two-week period that would end one week before the election
- Protects privacy for voters by restricting access to and use of absentee and advance voter lists by political parties and candidates.

Secretary Carnahan calls on the General Assembly to fund a current election law provision:

TRANSACTION FEE FOR LOCAL ELECTION AUTHORITIES

- This fee is the best way to ensure local election authorities keep voting lists current and accurate
- Continuing to leave this fee unfunded puts Missouri's voter registration lists at risk
- •The 10-cent fee per transaction has already been approved by the General Assembly

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